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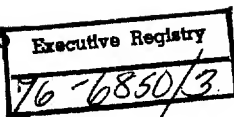
Here's a copy of the note I'll mail George Bush tomorrow.

We had 425 at the luncheon, and your boss was a real winner. I had seen him several times on TV but still had no appreciation of how effective he is before a live audience. He's as good as any I've even seen and I've seen a lot in 35 years around this town. If he were a Democrat, I'd advise him to quit that job out there and run for President. He obviously has the brains, the toughness, the honesty, and the appeal to get most any job. And Lord knows we need a few like him.

Thanks ever so much for nailing him down for us. My only problem now is that I don't know how to follow his act at our October meeting. Obviously, we've got to shift the format. Can't just put another speaker up there.

All the best,

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Hon. George Bush
Director of Central Intelligence
Washington, D.C. 20505

Dear Mr. Bush,

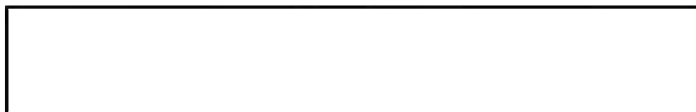
Your all-too brief appearance before our Retiree Association on Monday was a rousing success. Reactions flooding in to those of us who arranged the luncheon have been effusive and universally favorable. Your remarks were incisive, straightforward, and precisely on the points we had hoped you would hit. We also discovered a truly outstanding platform speaker.

If there were any among us (and no doubt there were) who had some feelings about your taking the helm at CIA after so active a political life, there are certainly no reservations now. The conversions were enthusiastic and complete! You can be confident of our total support and our heartiest best wishes for your continued success.

Again, our sincere appreciation for joining us Monday and for giving us so superb an address.

Cordially,

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